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CANNED DECIDUOUS FRUIT PRODUCTION IN AUSTRALIA AND SOUTH AFRICA

South Africa reports a record 1974 canned deciduous fruit pack, but poor weather conditions cut Australian production to its lowest level in 10 years. Combined production totaled 17 million cases, basis 24/2½'s, 12 percent below the 1973 total of 19.3 million cases. Australian production totaled 7.5 million cases and South African production, 9.5 million cases. Australian packs were smaller for all items except pears. South African packs of peaches and mixed fruit were larger, while packs of apricots and pears declined.

Current estimates indicate smaller 1974 exports by both countries. Declines are expected for all Australian items and all South African items except mixed fruit. Australian 1974 exports are estimated at 5.2 million cases and South African exports, at 8.7 million cases.

Australia

Heavy floods in the Goulburn Valley of Victoria severely reduced 1974 Australian canned deciduous fruit production to an estimated 7.5 million cases, 27 percent below the 1973 level and 26 percent below the 1966-70 average. Clingstone peaches suffered the most damage. Production of canned pears was actually above last year's level.

Canned peach production in 1974 totaled 2.5 million cases, 45 percent below that of 1973. Reports indicate about 30 percent of the peach trees in the Goulburn Valley were lost through waterlogging and root rot caused by flooding. Continued humid conditions promoted brown rot, which further reduced the crop in the Goulburn Valley and also affected production in the Murrumbidgee Irrigation area.

Production of canned pears in 1974 was 4 percent above the 1973 level as canners increased intake of pears to partially offset the short supply of canning peaches. Production totaled 3.1 million cases, about unchanged from the 1966-70 average. Direct losses from flooding were relatively minor and plentiful supplies of canning pears were available.

Apricots were severely damaged, suffering tree losses from the floods and brown rot problems from the humid conditions. The 1974 pack is estimated at 553,000 cases, 20 percent below the 1973 pack of 687,000 cases.

Mixed fruit production also was substantially below last season's output, because of the shortage of supplies of peaches. Production totaled 1.4 million cases, 35 percent below that of 1973. Packs of individual items in cases were: Fruit cocktail, 705,000; two fruits, 627,000; and fruit salad, 37,000.

Domestic consumption is less important than exports, but constituted a growing market through 1973. Domestic use averaged 3 million cases during 1966-70, reached 3.2 million in 1971 and 1972, and then jumped to 3.4 million cases in 1973. Current reports indicate 1974 shipments will total about 3 million cases. Peaches are the major domestic canned fruit item, accounting for 43 percent of 1973 shipments, followed by pears, mixed fruit, and apricots.

Export sales are the primary outlet for Australian canned fruit. Preliminary reports indicate a sharply smaller 1974 total of 5.2 million cases, 40 percent below 1973 exports and 25 percent below the 1966-70 average. The United Kingdom is traditionally the largest market for all Australian fruit items. Other major markets are West

Germany, Canada, and Japan. During the first 6 months of 1974, exports to West Germany were about maintained, but exports to most other major markets were substantially lower.

Production of canning fruit is centered in the State of Victoria, where floods caused severe losses in peach and apricot trees. The Goulburn Valley Orchard Census will be conducted this year and the results—expected in October 1975—will more accurately assess the current situation. Available information covers 1972–73 and does not reflect flood damage. During 1972–73 Victoria accounted for 54 percent of the total million apricot, peach, and pear trees in Australia.

Minimum 1974 grower prices were increased for all items. Minimum prices per metric ton for individual items were: Apricots, US\$175; Clingstone peaches, clear centers, US\$173; and Bartlett pears, US\$147. These prices represent the minimum levels that canners can pay to qualify for sugar rebates paid under the Sugar Agreement between the Australian Government and the State of Queensland.

South Africa

Record packs of peaches and mixed fruit elevated South African canned deciduous fruit production to a record 9.5 million cases, 6 percent above the 1973 level and 22 percent above the 1966–70 average. Drought conditions that developed in the winter of 1973 affected fruit production for fresh consumption more seriously than deliveries to canners.

Canning peach deliveries to processors were larger than those of 1973. Production of 1974 season canned Clingstone peaches totaled 6 million cases, 13 percent above last year's level. Declines in deliveries of other fruits were evident in the smaller packs of canned apricots and pears. The 1974 canned apricot pack is estimated at 478,000 cases, 21 percent below last year's pack. Canned pear production is estimated at 1.2 million cases, 20 percent below the 1973 level, and mixed fruit is estimated at a record 1.8 million cases.

Domestic sales are relatively small, estimated at only about 11 percent of the total 1974 canned deciduous fruit offtake. Peaches are the major item, while pears, mixed fruit, and apricots are consumed in lesser amounts. Total 1974 domestic utilization is estimated at 1.1 million cases.

Export sales are important to South Africa. Total 1974 exports are estimated at 8.7 million cases, 9 percent below the record 1973 total of 9.6 million cases, but 27 percent above the 1966–70 average. Estimated (in million cases) are: Peaches, 5.8; mixed fruit, 1.5; pears, 0.9; and apricots, 0.4. The United Kingdom is the largest single country market for all items. Other important markets include West Germany, Japan, Belgium-Luxembourg, the Netherlands, and Canada.

The Canned Fruit Board announced higher minimum prices on all canning fruits. Minimum prices per metric ton of canning grade items were: Royal variety apricots US\$120; Bulida variety apricots, US\$130; Clingstone peaches, US\$154; and Bartlett pears, US\$120.

Australian and South African canned deciduous fruit production
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Kind of fruit | Average | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|----|--|
| | 1956-60 | 1961-65 | 1966-70 | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 | 2/ | |
| <u>Apricots:</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 702 | 651 | 782 | 773 | 1,206 | 840 | 687 | 553 | | |
| South Africa | 742 | 816 | 663 | 343 | 721 | 596 | 603 | 487 | | |
| Total | 1,444 | 1,467 | 1,445 | 1,116 | 1,927 | 1,436 | 1,290 | 1,031 | | |
| <u>Peaches:</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 1,863 | 3,183 | 4,546 | 3,934 | 4,854 | 4,478 | 4,610 | 2,515 | | |
| South Africa | 2,084 | 3,325 | 4,752 | 4,729 | 5,526 | 5,472 | 5,331 | 6,001 | | |
| Total | 3,947 | 6,508 | 9,298 | 8,663 | 10,380 | 9,950 | 9,941 | 8,516 | | |
| <u>Pears:</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 2,130 | 2,788 | 3,115 | 4,394 | 3,478 | 2,225 | 2,984 | 3,102 | | |
| South Africa | 550 | 954 | 1,394 | 1,503 | 1,562 | 1,379 | 1,527 | 1,219 | | |
| Total | 2,680 | 3,742 | 4,509 | 5,897 | 5,040 | 3,604 | 4,511 | 4,321 | | |
| <u>Mixed fruits:</u> | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | 233 | 517 | 1,698 | 2,394 | 1,777 | 1,909 | 2,091 | 1,369 | | |
| South Africa | 379 | 338 | 948 | 1,187 | 1,346 | 1,380 | 1,489 | 1,797 | | |
| Total | 612 | 855 | 2,646 | 3,581 | 3,123 | 3,289 | 3,580 | 3,166 | | |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

Australian and South African canned deciduous fruit exports
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Kind of fruit | Average | | | | | | | | | | Calendar year | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|---------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| | 1956-60 | | | | | | | | | | 1961-65 | | | | | | | | | | 1966-70 | | | | | | | | | | 1970 | | | | | | | | | | 1971 | | | | | | | | | | 1972 | | | | | | | | | | 1973 | | | | | | | | | | 1974 2/ | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Apricots:</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | | | | | | | | | | 360 | | | | | | | | | | 201 | | | | | | | | | | 322 | | | | | | | | | | 267 | | | | | | | | | | 358 | | | | | | | | | | 290 | | | | | | | | | | 353 | | | | | | | | | | 100 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa | | | | | | | | | | 698 | | | | | | | | | | 781 | | | | | | | | | | 636 | | | | | | | | | | 358 | | | | | | | | | | 523 | | | | | | | | | | 648 | | | | | | | | | | 602 | | | | | | | | | | 429 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | 1,058 | | | | | | | | | | 982 | | | | | | | | | | 958 | | | | | | | | | | 625 | | | | | | | | | | 881 | | | | | | | | | | 938 | | | | | | | | | | 955 | | | | | | | | | | 529 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Peaches:</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | | | | | | | | | | 1,004 | | | | | | | | | | 1,761 | | | | | | | | | | 3,159 | | | | | | | | | | 2,599 | | | | | | | | | | 2,733 | | | | | | | | | | 2,632 | | | | | | | | | | 3,733 | | | | | | | | | | 1,900 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa | | | | | | | | | | 1,667 | | | | | | | | | | 3,011 | | | | | | | | | | 4,259 | | | | | | | | | | 4,079 | | | | | | | | | | 4,148 | | | | | | | | | | 5,192 | | | | | | | | | | 5,415 | | | | | | | | | | 5,837 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | 2,671 | | | | | | | | | | 4,772 | | | | | | | | | | 6,418 | | | | | | | | | | 6,678 | | | | | | | | | | 6,881 | | | | | | | | | | 7,824 | | | | | | | | | | 9,148 | | | | | | | | | | 7,737 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Pears:</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | | | | | | | | | | 1,655 | | | | | | | | | | 2,098 | | | | | | | | | | 2,229 | | | | | | | | | | 2,244 | | | | | | | | | | 2,372 | | | | | | | | | | 2,114 | | | | | | | | | | 2,961 | | | | | | | | | | 1,900 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa | | | | | | | | | | 388 | | | | | | | | | | 829 | | | | | | | | | | 1,162 | | | | | | | | | | 1,143 | | | | | | | | | | 1,111 | | | | | | | | | | 1,241 | | | | | | | | | | 1,454 | | | | | | | | | | 931 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | 2,043 | | | | | | | | | | 2,927 | | | | | | | | | | 3,391 | | | | | | | | | | 3,387 | | | | | | | | | | 3,483 | | | | | | | | | | 3,355 | | | | | | | | | | 4,415 | | | | | | | | | | 2,831 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| <u>Mixed fruit:</u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Australia | | | | | | | | | | 103 | | | | | | | | | | 281 | | | | | | | | | | 1,157 | | | | | | | | | | 1,396 | | | | | | | | | | 1,309 | | | | | | | | | | 1,448 | | | | | | | | | | 1,641 | | | | | | | | | | 1,250 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| South Africa 2/ | | | | | | | | | | 4/ | | | | | | | | | | 277 | | | | | | | | | | 791 | | | | | | | | | | 1,003 | | | | | | | | | | 1,003 | | | | | | | | | | 1,439 | | | | | | | | | | 1,432 | | | | | | | | | | 1,522 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total | | | | | | | | | | --- | | | | | | | | | | 558 | | | | | | | | | | 1,948 | | | | | | | | | | 2,399 | | | | | | | | | | 2,312 | | | | | | | | | | 2,887 | | | | | | | | | | 3,073 | | | | | | | | | | 2,772 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Forecast.

3/ Year beginning November 1.

4/ Not available.

Calendar exports of canned fruit by country of destination
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Fruit and destination | Australia | | South Africa | |
|--------------------------|-----------|-------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | 1972 | 1973 | 1972 | 1973 |
| <u>Apricots:</u> | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 137 | 149 | 229 | 256 |
| Continental Europe | 40 | 93 | 277 | 212 |
| Canada | 61 | 70 | 75 | 61 |
| Other | 45 | 41 | 67 | 73 |
| Total | 283 | 353 | 648 | 602 |
| <u>Peaches:</u> | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 1,041 | 1,280 | 2,691 | 2,975 |
| Continental Europe | 880 | 1,357 | 1,955 | 1,673 |
| Canada | 330 | 397 | 108 | 135 |
| Other | 360 | 699 | 438 | 632 |
| Total | 2,611 | 3,733 | 5,192 | 5,415 |
| <u>Pears:</u> | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 1,001 | 1,518 | 1,010 | 1,194 |
| Continental Europe | 461 | 950 | 141 | 162 |
| Canada | 237 | 329 | 6 | 2 |
| Other | 292 | 164 | 84 | 96 |
| Total | 1,991 | 2,961 | 1,241 | 1,454 |
| <u>Mixed fruit:</u> | | | | |
| United Kingdom | 721 | 881 | <u>2/</u> | <u>2/</u> |
| Continental Europe | 303 | 376 | <u>2/</u> | <u>2/</u> |
| Canada | 253 | 263 | <u>2/</u> | <u>2/</u> |
| Other | 125 | 121 | <u>2/</u> | <u>2/</u> |
| Total | 1,402 | 1,641 | 1,432 <u>3/</u> | 1,522 <u>3/</u> |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Not available.

3/ Year beginning November 1.

SOURCE: Australian Canned Fruits Board and South African Annual Trade Statistics.

Australian canned fruit production and exports, 1970-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Canned Fruit | : | 1970 | : | 1971 | : | 1972 | : | 1973 | : | 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|-----------------------|---|--------|---|--------|---|-------|---|--------|---|----------------|
| Production: | : | | | | | | | | | |
| Apricots | : | 773 | | 1,206 | | 840 | | 687 | | 553 |
| Mixed fruit | : | 2,394 | | 1,777 | | 1,909 | | 2,091 | | 1,369 |
| Peaches | : | 3,934 | | 4,854 | | 4,478 | | 4,610 | | 2,515 |
| Pears | : | 4,394 | | 3,478 | | 2,225 | | 2,984 | | 3,102 |
| Total deciduous | : | 11,495 | | 11,315 | | 9,452 | | 10,372 | | 7,539 |
| Exports: | : | | | | | | | | | |
| Apricots | : | 267 | | 358 | | 290 | | 353 | | 100 |
| Mixed fruit | : | 1,396 | | 1,309 | | 1,448 | | 1,641 | | 1,250 |
| Peaches | : | 2,599 | | 2,733 | | 2,632 | | 3,733 | | 1,900 |
| Pears | : | 2,444 | | 2,372 | | 2,114 | | 2,961 | | 1,900 |
| Total deciduous | : | 6,506 | | 6,772 | | 6,484 | | 8,688 | | 5,150 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

Australian packout of all canned fruit, 1970-73
(In percent)

| Grade | : | 1970 | : | 1971 | : | 1972 | : | 1973 |
|----------------|---|------|---|------|---|------|---|------|
| Fancy | : | 4.3 | | 5.7 | | 10.4 | | 12.2 |
| Choice | : | 64.0 | | 61.6 | | 57.6 | | 60.5 |
| Standard | : | 21.0 | | 17.1 | | 20.6 | | 19.2 |
| Domestic | : | 10.7 | | 15.6 | | 11.4 | | 8.1 |

SOURCE: Australian Canned Fruits Board.

Australian canned peach supply and distribution, 1971-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Item | : 1971 | : 1972 | : 1973 | : 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, January 1 ... | 282 | 1,099 | 1,504 | 928 |
| Production | <u>4,854</u> | <u>4,478</u> | <u>4,610</u> | <u>2,515</u> |
| Total | <u>5,136</u> | <u>5,577</u> | <u>6,114</u> | <u>3,443</u> |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | 2,733 | 2,632 | 3,733 | 1,900 |
| Domestic consumption | 1,304 | 1,441 | 1,453 | 1,200 |
| Ending stocks, December 31 | <u>1,099</u> | <u>1,504</u> | <u>928</u> | <u>343</u> |
| Total | <u>5,136</u> | <u>5,577</u> | <u>6,114</u> | <u>3,443</u> |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

Australian canned pear supply and distribution, 1971-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Item | : 1971 | : 1972 | : 1973 | : 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|---------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|------------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, January 1 ... | 1,668 | 1,864 | 1,301 | 477 |
| Production | <u>3,478</u> | <u>2,225</u> | <u>2,984</u> | <u>3,102</u> |
| Total | <u>5,146</u> | <u>4,089</u> | <u>4,285</u> | <u>3,579</u> |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | 2,372 | 2,114 | 2,961 | 1,900 |
| Domestic consumption | 910 | 674 | 847 | 850 |
| Ending stocks, December 31 | <u>1,864</u> | <u>1,301</u> | <u>477</u> | <u>829</u> |
| Total | <u>5,146</u> | <u>4,089</u> | <u>4,285</u> | <u>3,579</u> |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

Australian canned apricot supply and distribution, 1970-73
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Item | : 1971 | : 1972 | : 1973 | : 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|----------------------------------|--------|--------|--------|------------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, January 1 | 105 | 439 | 401 | 212 |
| Production | 1,206 | 840 | 687 | 553 |
| Total | 1,311 | 1,279 | 1,088 | 765 |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | 358 | 290 | 353 | 100 |
| Domestic consumption | 514 | 588 | 523 | 500 |
| Ending stocks, December 31 | 439 | 401 | 212 | 165 |
| Total | 1,311 | 1,279 | 1,088 | 765 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.
2/ Estimate.

Australian mixed fruit pack composition,
Average 1961-65, 1966-70, and annual 1970-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Year | : Fruit : cocktail | : Fruit : salad | : Two-fruits | : Total |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|--------------|---------|
| 1961-65 | 175 | 50 | 292 | 517 |
| 1966-70 | 811 | 78 | 809 | 1,698 |
| 1970 | 1,098 | 45 | 1,251 | 2,394 |
| 1971 | 816 | 89 | 872 | 1,777 |
| 1972 | 1,109 | 87 | 713 | 1,909 |
| 1973 | 1,067 | 79 | 945 | 2,091 |
| 1974 <u>2/</u> | 705 | 37 | 627 | 1,369 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.
2/ Estimate.

Australian canned mixed fruit 1/ supply and distribution, 1971-74
(In thousands of cases 2/)

| Item | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, January 1 | 868 | 857 | 798 | 699 |
| Production | 1,777 | 1,909 | 2,091 | 1,369 |
| Total | 2,645 | 2,766 | 2,889 | 2,078 |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | 1,309 | 1,448 | 1,641 | 1,250 |
| Domestic consumption | 479 | 520 | 549 | 500 |
| Ending stocks, December 31 | 857 | 798 | 699 | 328 |
| Total | 2,645 | 2,766 | 2,889 | 2,078 |

1/ Canned composite packs, including fruit salad, fruit cocktail, and diced two-fruit mixtures.

2/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

3/ Estimate.

Australian canned fruit minimum grower prices
per metric ton 1/ for first-quality fruit,
1971-74 seasons
(In U.S. dollars)

| Fruit | 1971 <u>2/</u> | 1972 <u>2/</u> | 1973 <u>2/</u> | 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Apricots | 127 | 134 | 146 | 173 |
| Peaches: | | | | |
| Cling, clear center | 120 | 128 | 151 | 173 |
| Cling, other | 116 | 123 | 146 | 168 |
| Freestone | 85 | 90 | 107 | 124 |
| Pears: | | | | |
| Bartlett | 110 | 117 | 139 | 147 |

1/ Delivered to either the grower's railroad siding or to the cannery door.

2/ Quotations converted to U.S. dollars at rate applicable at time of quotation and are not directly comparable to prior years. For example, 1973 peach and pear quotations were unchanged from 1972 in Australian dollars.

SOURCE: Australian Fruit Industry Sugar Concession Committee

Australian canned fruit pack by quality,
grade, and can size, 1973
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Grade | Apricots | Peaches | Pears | Mixed fruit <u>2/</u> | Total |
|---------------------------|----------|---------|-------|--------------------------|--------|
| Fancy (export) | | | | | |
| No. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 35 | 185 | 189 | 152 | 561 |
| No. 1 | 19 | 107 | 96 | 85 | 307 |
| 8 oz. | 10 | 8 | 11 | 8 | 37 |
| No. 10 | 20 | 118 | 122 | 98 | 358 |
| Total | 84 | 418 | 418 | 343 | 1,263 |
| Choice (export) | | | | | |
| No. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 115 | 1,276 | 944 | 413 | 2,748 |
| No. 1 | 85 | 864 | 752 | 611 | 2,312 |
| 8 oz. | 17 | 55 | 60 | 66 | 198 |
| No. 10 | 48 | 406 | 333 | 226 | 1,013 |
| Total | 265 | 2,601 | 2,089 | 1,316 | 6,271 |
| Standard (export) | | | | | |
| No. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 98 | 1,019 | 195 | 226 | 1,538 |
| No. 1 | 30 | 68 | 84 | 100 | 282 |
| 8 oz. | --- | 1 | 4 | 2 | 7 |
| No. 10 | 20 | 58 | 34 | 56 | 168 |
| Total | 148 | 1,146 | 317 | 384 | 1,995 |
| Domestic Pack | | | | | |
| No. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ | 131 | 272 | 116 | 9 | 528 |
| No. 1 | 40 | 125 | 41 | 14 | 220 |
| 8 oz. | 3 | 2 | --- | 1 | 6 |
| No. 10 | 16 | 46 | 3 | 24 | 89 |
| Total | 190 | 445 | 160 | 48 | 843 |
| Grand total . | 687 | 4,610 | 2,984 | 2,091 | 10,372 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ cans.

2/ Includes all mixed fruits other than tropical fruit salad.

NOTE: Some No. 2 cans included under No. 1's and some 5 oz. and 10 oz.
under 8 oz.

SOURCE: Australian Canned Fruits Board.

Australian canned deciduous fruit production by State,
average 1961-65, 1966-70, and annual 1970-73
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Kind of Fruit | New South Wales | Victoria | South Australia | Other States | Total |
|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|-----------------|--------|
| <u>Canned apricots:</u> | | | | | |
| Average: | | | | | |
| 1961-65 | 110 | 294 | 214 | 33 | 651 |
| 1966-70 | 124 | 465 | 179 | 14 | 782 |
| Annual: | | | | | |
| 1970 | 111 | 483 | 177 | 2 | 773 |
| 1971 | 200 | 649 | 334 | 23 | 1,206 |
| 1972 | 163 | 480 | 193 | 4 | 840 |
| 1973 | 148 | 483 | 53 | 3 | 687 |
| <u>Canned peaches:</u> | | | | | |
| Average: | | | | | |
| 1961-65 | 760 | 1,698 | 680 | 45 | 3,183 |
| 1966-70 | 969 | 2,454 | 1,064 | 60 | 4,547 |
| Annual: | | | | | |
| 1970 | 873 | 2,066 | 946 | 49 | 3,934 |
| 1971 | 1,030 | 2,511 | 1,259 | 54 | 4,854 |
| 1972 | 962 | 2,236 | 1,232 | 48 | 4,478 |
| 1973 | 985 | 2,465 | 1,136 | 24 | 4,610 |
| <u>Canned pears:</u> | | | | | |
| Average: | | | | | |
| 1961-65 | 131 | 2,481 | 107 | 69 | 2,788 |
| 1966-70 | 116 | 2,824 | 102 | 74 | 3,115 |
| Annual: | | | | | |
| 1970 | 167 | 4,000 | 161 | 66 | 4,394 |
| 1971 | 86 | 3,132 | 192 | 68 | 3,478 |
| 1972 | 142 | 1,961 | 96 | 26 | 2,225 |
| 1973 | 182 | 2,648 | 113 | 41 | 2,984 |
| <u>Canned mixed fruit:</u> | | | | | |
| Average: | | | | | |
| 1961-65 | 35 | 344 | 104 | 34 | 517 |
| 1966-70 | 68 | 1,353 | 246 | 31 | 1,698 |
| Annual: | | | | | |
| 1970 | 149 | 2,012 | 233 | --- | 2,394 |
| 1971 | 160 | 1,386 | 231 | --- | 1,777 |
| 1972 | 180 | 1,511 | 217 | 1 | 1,909 |
| 1973 | 128 | 1,702 | 256 | 5 | 2,091 |
| <u>Total deciduous fruit:</u> | | | | | |
| Average: | | | | | |
| 1961-65 | 1,036 | 4,817 | 1,105 | 181 | 7,139 |
| 1966-70 | 1,277 | 7,096 | 1,590 | 179 | 10,143 |
| Annual: | | | | | |
| 1970 | 1,300 | 8,561 | 1,517 | 119 | 11,495 |
| 1971 | 1,476 | 7,678 | 2,016 | 145 | 11,315 |
| 1972 | 1,447 | 6,188 | 1,738 | 79 | 9,452 |
| 1973 | 1,442 | 7,298 | 1,558 | 73 | 10,372 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

SOURCE: Australian Canned Fruits Board.

Australian tree numbers for selected fruit, 1966-67 through 1973-74
(In thousands of trees)

| Year | Apricots | | Peaches | | Pears | | | |
|----------------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|----------------------|-------|-----|-------|
| | Bearing : Nonbearing | Total | Bearing : Nonbearing | Total | Bearing : Nonbearing | Total | | |
| 1966-67 ... | 962 | 1,153 | 2,452 | 551 | 3,003 | 2,039 | 636 | 2,671 |
| 1967-68 ... | 909 | 1,120 | 2,397 | 614 | 3,011 | 2,167 | 548 | 2,715 |
| 1968-69 ... | 893 | 1,085 | 2,349 | 546 | 2,895 | 2,188 | 523 | 2,711 |
| 1969-70 ... | 867 | 1,043 | 2,353 | 514 | 2,867 | 2,205 | 489 | 2,694 |
| 1970-71 ... | 877 | 1,047 | 2,272 | 497 | 2,769 | 2,267 | 382 | 2,649 |
| 1971-72 ... | 882 | 1,054 | 2,252 | 481 | 2,733 | 2,145 | 349 | 2,494 |
| 1972-73 ... | 855 | 1,011 | 2,099 | 422 | 2,521 | 2,168 | 279 | 2,447 |
| 2/ 1973-74 ... | 861 | 2/ | 2,200 | 2/ | 2/ | 2,300 | 2/ | 2/ |

1/ Estimate.
2/ Not available.

SOURCE: The Fruit Growing Industry, Australia, 1972-73, and Trends in Australian Rural Production and Exports, Commonwealth Bureau of Census Statistics, Canberra

Australian tree numbers for selected fruit by State in 1972-73
(In thousands of trees)

| Kind of Fruit | New South Wales | Victoria | Queensland | South Australia | Western Australia | Tasmania | Total Australia |
|--------------------|-----------------|----------|------------|-----------------|-------------------|----------|-----------------|
| <u>Bearing:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Apples | 1,287 | 1,324 | 1,113 | 523 | 989 | 1,977 | 7,215 |
| Apricots | 125 | 259 | 44 | 376 | 15 | 36 | 855 |
| Cherries | 239 | 148 | 1/ | 45 | 3 | 4 | 439 |
| Nectarines | 33 | 37 | 39 | 21 | 7 | 2 | 138 |
| Peaches | 515 | 1,030 | 139 | 359 | 53 | 3 | 2,099 |
| Pears | 229 | 1,473 | 98 | 163 | 68 | 137 | 2,168 |
| Plums and prunes . | 407 | 123 | 130 | 62 | 73 | 3 | 797 |
| <u>Total:</u> | | | | | | | |
| Apples | 1,596 | 1,606 | 1,302 | 645 | 1,171 | 2,412 | 8,737 |
| Apricots | 136 | 307 | 52 | 454 | 18 | 45 | 1,011 |
| Cherries | 375 | 197 | 1/ | 68 | 8 | 9 | 657 |
| Nectarines | 44 | 55 | 50 | 27 | 9 | 3 | 188 |
| Peaches | 599 | 1,280 | 161 | 412 | 66 | 4 | 2,521 |
| Pears | 258 | 1,633 | 124 | 200 | 87 | 145 | 2,447 |
| Plums and prunes . | 488 | 167 | 155 | 80 | 84 | 4 | 978 |
| 1/ Not available. | | | | | | | |

SOURCE: The Fruit Growing Industry, Australia, Commonwealth Bureau of Census Statistics, Canberra, 1972-73

South African canned fruit production and exports, 1970-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Canned Fruit | 1970 | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|
| Production: | | | | | |
| Apricots | 343 | 721 | 596 | 603 | 478 |
| Peaches | 4,729 | 5,526 | 5,472 | 5,331 | 6,001 |
| Pears | 1,503 | 1,562 | 1,379 | 1,527 | 1,219 |
| Mixed fruit | 1,187 | 1,346 | 1,380 | 1,489 | 1,797 |
| Total deciduous | 7,762 | 9,155 | 8,827 | 8,950 | 9,495 |
| Exports: | | | | | |
| Apricots | 358 | 512 | 624 | 648 | 429 |
| Peaches | 3,901 | 3,979 | 5,018 | 5,955 | 5,837 |
| Pears | 1,123 | 1,004 | 1,347 | 1,577 | 931 |
| Mixed fruit | 1,003 | 1,003 | 1,439 | 1,432 | 1,522 |
| Total deciduous | 6,385 | 6,498 | 8,428 | 9,612 | 8,719 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

South African canned peach supply and distribution, 1971-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Item | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, November 1 ... | 832 | 1,831 | 1,735 | 551 |
| Production | 5,526 | 5,472 | 5,331 | 6,001 |
| Total | 6,358 | 7,303 | 7,066 | 6,552 |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | 3,979 | 5,108 | 5,955 | 5,837 |
| Domestic disappearance | 548 | 625 | 560 | 565 |
| Ending stocks, October 31 | 1,831 | 1,660 | 551 | 150 |
| Total | 6,358 | 7,303 | 7,066 | 6,552 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

South African canned pear supply and distribution, 1971-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Item | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, November 1 ... | 374 | 670 | 427 | 94 |
| Production | 1,562 | 1,379 | 1,527 | 1,219 |
| Total | 1,936 | 2,049 | 1,954 | 1,313 |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | 1,004 | 1,347 | 1,577 | 931 |
| Domestic disappearance | 262 | 275 | 283 | 292 |
| Ending stocks, October 31 | 670 | 427 | 94 | 90 |
| Total | 1,936 | 2,049 | 1,954 | 1,313 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Forecast.

South African canned apricot supply and distribution, 1971-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Item | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|----------------------------------|------|------|------|----------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, November 1 ... | 45 | 202 | 119 | 18 |
| Production | 721 | 596 | 603 | 478 |
| Total | 766 | 798 | 722 | 496 |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | 512 | 624 | 648 | 429 |
| Domestic disappearance | 52 | 55 | 56 | 57 |
| Ending stocks, October 31 | 202 | 119 | 18 | 10 |
| Total | 766 | 798 | 722 | 496 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

South African canned mixed fruit supply and distribution, 1971-74
(In thousands of cases 1/)

| Item | : 1971 | : 1972 | : 1973 | : 1974 <u>2/</u> |
|----------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|------------------|
| Supply: | | | | |
| Beginning stocks, November 1 ... | : 205 | : 404 | : 195 | : 95 |
| Production | : 1,346 | : 1,380 | : 1,489 | : 1,797 |
| Total | : 1,551 | : 1,784 | : 1,684 | : 1,862 |
| Distribution: | | | | |
| Exports | : 1,003 | : 1,439 | : 1,432 | : 1,522 |
| Domestic disappearance | : 144 | : 150 | : 157 | : 165 |
| Ending stocks, October 31 | : 404 | : 195 | : 95 | : 174 |
| Total | : 1,551 | : 1,784 | : 1,684 | : 1,862 |

1/ Cases of equivalent 24 No. 2½ cans.

2/ Estimate.

NOTE: Mixed fruit includes fruit cocktail, fruit salad, and two-fruits.

Commercial utilization of deciduous fruit by members of
the South African fruit canning industry, 1971-74
(In thousands of metric tons)

| Kind | : 1971 | : 1972 | : 1973 | : 1974 |
|---------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Pears, Bartlett | : 44,358 | : 41,982 | : 48,211 | : 43,662 |
| Apricots | : 16,181 | : 15,100 | : 12,872 | : 11,133 |
| Peaches, Clingstone | : 109,273 | : 109,011 | : 106,910 | : 118,394 |

South African minimum growers prices for fresh deciduous
fruits for processing, 1971 through 1974 1/ 2/
(In dollars per metric tons)

| Kind | 1971 | 1972 | 1973 | 1974 |
|------------------|------|------|------|------|
| Apricots: | | | | |
| Royal | 102 | 87 | 99 | 120 |
| Bulida | 96 | 84 | 99 | 130 |
| Peaches: | | | | |
| Clingstone | 96 | 86 | 109 | 154 |
| Pears: | | | | |
| Bartlett | 83 | 68 | 81 | 120 |

1/ Canning grade.

2/ Currency converted from Rands to Dollars at rate prevailing when price was announced. Not directly comparable with previous years.

SOURCE: Canning Apricots and Peach Board and Deciduous Fruit Board

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